



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 5620**

LCO No. 3474

Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:  
(INS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR  
COLON CANCER SCREENING AND TESTS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) Each individual health insurance policy providing  
2       coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12)  
3       of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery,  
4       amended, renewed or continued in this state on or after October 1,  
5       2001, shall provide coverage for colorectal cancer screening, including,  
6       but not limited to, (1) an annual fecal occult blood test, and (2)  
7       colonoscopy, flexible sigmoidoscopy or radiologic imaging, in  
8       accordance with the recommendations established by the American  
9       College of Gastroenterology, after consultation with the American  
10      Cancer Society, based on the ages, family histories and frequencies  
11      provided in the recommendations. Benefits under this section shall be  
12      subject to the same terms and conditions applicable to all other  
13      benefits under such policies.

14      Sec. 2. (NEW) Each group health insurance policy providing  
15      coverage of the type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12)  
16      of section 38a-469 of the general statutes delivered, issued for delivery,

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24 provided in the recommendations. Benefits under this section shall be  
25 subject to the same terms and conditions applicable to all other  
26 benefits under such policies.

**INS**        *Joint Favorable*

**PD**        *Joint Favorable*